Appendix U: Water Rights

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BLM manages the land for multiple uses and, when required, applies to the State of Montana for water rights to support these uses. The BLM holds water rights for such beneficial uses as livestock water, fisheries and waterfowl and wildlife. Most BLM water sources have more than one water right attached to them to protect the varying uses listed above.

Water Rights

	BLM		
	Adjudication		Total Water
County	Claims	BLM Permits	Rights
BigHorn	92	22	7518
Carbon	231	36	6224
Golden Valley	0	0	2231
Musselshell	228	29	3714
Stillwater	4	5	5849
Sweet Grass	14	1	7042
Wheatland	0	0	3694
Yellowstone	153	29	9048
Totals	722	122	45320

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